## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of ROBERTO G. BALLESTEROS <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, POST OFFICE, Allen Park, Mich.

Docket No. 97-186; Submitted on the Record; Issued October 8, 1998

## **DECISION** and **ORDER**

## Before DAVID S. GERSON, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant has established that he sustained a recurrence of disability during the periods May 27 through June 7, 1994 and August 4 through November 12, 1994.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the March 21, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

Accordingly, the decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated March 21, 1996 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. October 8, 1998

> David S. Gerson Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member